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After consultation with [redacted] I am pleased to enclose a check for Three Hundred Dollars (\$300) in payment for the notes, syllabi and reading lists you prepared for the proposed Summer Area Program of this Agency. This is in full satisfaction of amounts due you by this Agency.

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We look forward to receiving, at your earliest convenience, the notes, syllabi and reading lists so that to this limited extent we may have the benefit of the contribution you would have made had we not unfortunately had to cancel our Summer Area Program. Please send the material to:

[redacted]
2430 "E" Street, N.W.
Washington 25, D.C.

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Sincerely yours,

MATTHEW BAIRD
Director of Training

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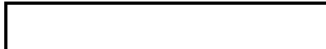
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2430 "E" Street N. W.
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I received your letter of July 21st and, today, your telegram of August 20th. Yesterday, on my arrival from a lengthy journey, I also learned that you had attempted to reach me by phone. Calling back, I spoke to a colleague of yours in your office. I believe his name was [redacted] if I understood it right. I told [redacted] that I would write today and gave him the figure of \$300 as an evaluation of the material that I was to use for the Washington program this summer. I was very reluctant to set a monetary value on material which I developed for my own use, but I learned in the meantime that two colleagues who were also involved in the cancellation of the same project have already given you an estimate of the value of their material and the loss they had incurred, and that the settlement of this issue depends on my making a similar request. It will take me a few days to put my material into readable form and I will send it to you later.

As to your letter, I am grateful to you for your expression of disappointment that the program was cancelled and for your efforts in my behalf. I want, however, not to close this matter without expressing to you and through you to your superiors, my own disappointment at the manner in which your negotiations were conducted. The breaking of arrangements involving summer school time brings up more than financial problems. It affects colleagues and students, and most of all the dignity of the professor involved. I am sure that you realize that it will be easier to secure the cooperation of the academic world if matters such as this are handled with greater circumspection. It is inevitable that the way in which this matter was handled has seriously shaken general confidence in your very important organization.

Yours sincerely,

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